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Amendments to the Claims:

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- 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A pad, comprising:
 - a top sheet;
 - a backing sheet of fluid impervious material;

one or more absorbent sheets disposed between said top sheet and said backing sheet; and

a first frangible element which extends parallel to and partway along opposite sides of one dimension of said pad and a second frangible element located between the edges of said one dimension which extends perpendicular from said first frangible element; thereby forming ties integral with said pad for tying said pad into a compact bundle for disposal;

said first and second frangible elements forming partially detachable ties in said pad when said first and second frangible elements are disengaged from said pad.

 (ORIGINAL) A pad as in claim 1 wherein said first and second frangible elements comprise perforations.

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- (ORIGINAL) A pad as in claim 1 wherein said pad further comprises an odor
 attractant impregnated in said pad to attract an animal to said pad for the purposes of
 training said animal to deposit waste on said pad.
- 4. (ORIGINAL) A pad as in claim 2 wherein said odor attractant comprises allyl phenyl actetate.
- 5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A pad as in claim 1 wherein said pad further comprises a fresh cut grass scent impregnated in said pad to attract an animal to said pad for the purposes of training said animal to deposit waste outdoors train an animal to deposit waste outdoors.
- (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A pad as in claim 5 wherein said backing sheet is green
 to attract an animal to said pad for the purposes of training said animal to deposit
 waste outdoors train said animal to deposit waste outdoors.
- (ORIGINAL) A pad as in claim 1 wherein said pad further comprises an odor deterrent scent to reduce or eliminate the smell of urine.
- 8. (ORIGINAL) A pad as in claim 1 wherein said one or more absorbent sheets consists of an absorbent polymer which locks in urine and wetness and prevents leakage.
- 9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A pad, comprising:
 - a top sheet;
 - a backing sheet of fluid impervious material;

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one or more absorbent sheets disposed between said top sheet and said backing sheet; and

a first frangible element which extends parallel to and partway along opposite sides of one dimension of said pad and a second frangible element located between the edges of said one dimension which extends perpendicular from said first frangible element thereby forming ties integral with said pad for tying said pad into a compact bundle for disposal;

said first and second frangible elements forming partially detachable ties in said pad when said first and second frangible elements are disengaged from said pad; wherein said first and second frangible elements comprise perforations.

- 10. (NEW) A training pad for encouraging an animal to deposit waste outdoors, comprising:
 - a top sheet;
 - a backing sheet of fluid impervious material;

one or more absorbent sheets disposed between said top sheet and said backing sheet;

and;

- a grass scent impregnated in said pad to enable said animal to quickly learn to deposit waste outdoors.
- 11. (NEW) A pad as in claim 10 further comprising: a first frangible element which extends parallel to and partway along opposite sides of one dimension of said pad and

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a second frangible element located between the edges of said one dimension which extends perpendicular from said first frangible element; said first and second frangible elements forming partially detachable ties in said pad when said first and second frangible elements are disengaged from said pad.

- 12. (NEW) A pad as in claim 10 further comprising an odor attractant impregnated in said pad to attract an animal to said pad for the purposes of training said animal to deposit waste on said pad.
- 13. (NEW) A pad as in claim 12 wherein said odor attractant comprises allyl phenyl actetate.
- 14. (NEW) A pad as in claim 10 wherein said backing sheet is green to train said animal to deposit waste outdoors.
- 15. (NEW) A pad as in claim 10 wherein said pad further comprises an odor deterrent scent to reduce or eliminate the smell of urine.
- 16. (NEW) A pad as in claim 10 wherein said one or more absorbent sheets consists of an absorbent polymer which locks in urine and wetness and prevents leakage.
- 17. (NEW) A pad as in claim 11 wherein said first and second frangible elements comprise perforations.